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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated August 30, 2005, please extend the period of time for response three (3) months, to expire on February 28, 2006. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.